

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

In the Office Action, the Examiner made a restriction requirement. The Examiner explained as follows:

Election/Restrictions

This application contains claims directed to the following patentably distinct species of the claimed invention:

Actuator 1: Fig. 1
Actuator 2: Fig. 2
Actuator 3: Fig. 3 (teeth Fig. 9)
Actuator 4: Fig. 3 (teeth Fig. 10)
Actuator 5: Fig. 3 (teeth Fig. 11)
Actuator 6: Fig. 3 (teeth Fig. 12)
Actuator 7: Fig. 4 (teeth Fig. 9)
Actuator 8: Fig. 4 (teeth Fig. 10)
Actuator 9: Fig. 4 (teeth Fig. 11)
Actuator 10: Fig. 4 (teeth Fig. 12)
Actuator 11: Fig. 5
Actuator 12: Fig. 6
Actuator 13: Fig. 7
Actuator 14: Fig. 8

Applicant is required under 35 U.S.C. 121 to elect a single disclosed species for prosecution on the merits to which the claims shall be restricted if no generic claim is finally held to be allowable. Currently, none of the claims are generic.

Applicant is advised that a reply to this requirement must include an identification of the species that is elected consonant with this requirement, and a listing of all claims readable thereon, including any claims subsequently added. An argument that a claim is allowable or that all claims are generic is considered nonresponsive unless accompanied by an election.

Applicant elects the subject matter designated by the Examiner as "Actuator 4", and submits that at least claims 6-14 are readable on this subject matter. Applicant has withdrawn the remaining claims.

CONCLUSION

Applicant has made a diligent effort to advance the prosecution of this application. Applicant submits that no fees not enclosed herewith are due with this reply. If this is

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incorrect, the Examiner is authorized to charge any fees due to
Gardere Wynne Sewell deposit account no. 07-0153.

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